

### REMARKS

The Applicants wish to thank Examiner Jagoe for withdrawing the finality of the previous rejection and the accompanying objections and rejections.

Dependent Claims 21-25 have been added. These claims depend from Claim 20 which but for the double-patenting rejection has otherwise been indicated as allowable. The dependent claims find support at pages 5 and 6 of the specification. For the Examiner's convenience, the terms, "GhyCH-" and "GhyCCH<sub>3</sub>-" which appear in the claims is shorthand for the respective substituents, "NH<sub>2</sub>(CHN)-NH-N=CCH-" and "NH<sub>2</sub>(CHN)-NH-N=CCH<sub>3</sub>-". These terms are defined in the specification at page 5, lines 20-21.

No new matter is believed to be added. Upon entry of the amendments, Claims 11 and 13-25 will be active and in condition for allowance.

#### Double-Patenting Rejection

The Applicants acknowledge the obviousness-type double-patenting rejection over the parent application, now U.S. Patent No. 6,673,777. A terminal disclaimer over the patent is submitted herewith to remove the rejection. The Applicants kindly request withdrawal of the rejection.

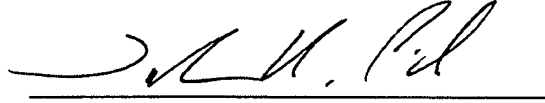
In addition, though not required by the Examiner, the Applicants also submit a terminal disclaimer over the *grandparent* patent, U.S. Patent No. 6,143,728. The grandparent patent was submitted in an earlier IDS filed February 20, 2004, and a copy of that patent is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience. It should be apparent upon review of the claims that the terminal disclaimer is appropriate.

This application is ready for allowance and issue. An early indication of same is kindly requested. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding the application, or have any suggestions to place it into even better condition for allowance, she is kindly invited

to telephone the Applicants' undersigned representative at the number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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